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REMARKS

This amendment is being filed after payment of the issue fee. Applicants understand that the amendments to the specification are needed to correct the specification as required by the Office of Patent Publication (PUBS). Accordingly, in light of the requirement for an amendment to the specification by PUBS, applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments be entered, and submit that no withdrawal of the application from issue is necessary for the amendment to be entered (See MPEP 714.06(e)(III)).

Examiner Interview

Applicants thank Examiner Palabrica for the telephone interview of September 13, 2004. Examiner Palabrica noted that the specification included a number of references to specific claims, and requested that the specification be amended to delete the reference to specific claims. Applicants understand that the correction to the specification is required by PUBS. Accordingly, applicants have amended the specification to remove the reference to specific claims.

In the specification, paragraphs have been amended on pages 10-17 and 40-42 to delete the reference to specific claims.

It is believed that no fees are due in connection with this Rule 312 amendment. In the event this is not correct, the undersigned authorizes the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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